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Official Papers.

Abstract of Season or Intermediate Report for the Week ending 4th February 1882.

Bangalore District.—Dry crops in good condition, but wet crops are generally reported to be suffering from insufficient water in tanks. Sugar-cane, horse-gram and Kartika paddy are being harvested. Prospects of season favorable. Public health generally good. Small-pox and fever prevalent in some parts, chiefly in the Closepet Taluk. Cattle disease also prevalent in a few places. Supply of drinking water sufficient. The staple food grains are imported as usual from the surrounding Districts. Prices: rice 11\frac{3}{2} seers, ragi 23\frac{3}{3} seers and horse-gram 36 seers per rupec.

Kolar District.—Standing crops generally in good condition. Want of water continues to be felt in parts for the paddy and sugar-cane crops under small tanks. The cholam crop in the Gumnayakanpalya Taluk is still in a bad condition. Harvesting of Kartika paddy, sugar-cane and horse-gram progressing. Prospects of season fair. Drinking water and pasturage sufficient. Public health on the whole good. Fever and small-pox prevalent in parts of several taluks. Cattle disease abating. Prices: rice 12 to 14½ seers and ragi 25 to 38 seers per rupee.

Tunkur District.—Wet crops under some tanks in the Tunkur, Koratagere and Kadaba Taluks are drying from want of water; those under some tanks of the Kunigal Taluk have dried up. The paddy crop in parts of the Maddagiri Taluk affected with some disease. Elsewhere crops in good condition. Paddy, ballar, tuvar, horse-gram, &c., were harvested. Prospects of season fair. Fever prevalent in parts and small-pox slightly. Cattle disease prevalent in parts of two taluks. The supply of drinking water and pasturage was sufficient, except in many villages of the Honnavalli Taluk, where great difficulty was experienced for water. Prices: rice 11½ to 13½ seers, ragi 22 to 32 seers, horse-gram 32 to 44 seers per rupee.

Mysore District.—Standing crops reported to be in good condition. Ballar, horse-gram, Bengal-gram and paddy harvested during the week in several taluks of the District. Prospects of season fair. Water-supply and pasturage diminishing. Public health good. Prices stationary.

Hassan District.—Bengal-gram, dál, oil-seed, coriander, onions, garlic and sugar-cane in the Hassan Taluk and ballar and dál in the Arkalgúd Taluk are withering, as also sugar-cane and oil-seed in the Haranhalli Taluk. Ballar, dál and sesamum in the last mentioned taluk have withered. Elsewhere the crops are in good condition. Ragi, paddy, horse-gram, ballar, dál, &c., were harvested. Prospects of season fair. Fever, ague, small-pox and dysentery are the prevailing diseases in various parts of the District, except in the Attikuppa and Belur Taluks the health in which was good. Cattle disease prevalent in several parts of the District. The supply of drinking water and pasturage was scarce in several parts of the District. One hundred and seventy-nine persons left their homes for employment as ordinary coolies. Prices: rice 11 to 17 seers, ragi 22 to 30, horse-gram 25 to 48 seers per rupee.

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Shimoga District.—The standing crops are yenegar jola, Bengal-gram, wheat, haralu, togari, avaré, sugar-cane, cotton, &c. In the Honnali Tuluk, yenegar jola and sugar-cane are withering, while wheat and Bengal-gram are attacked by insects. Sugar-cane is being milled in several taluks: the gathering of arecanut is nearly completed. Kar-paddy is being sown in Ságar and sugar-cane planted in the Shimoga, Shikarpur and Sorab Taluks, in places where water is procurable. Prospects of season fair. Cough and fever prevalent, and small-pox in Ságar and Shimoga. Cattle disease prevalent in parts. Prices: rice 13 to 18 scors, ragi 18 to 35 scers, jola 20 to 25 scers and horse-gram 30 to 32 scers per rupec.

Kadur District.—The standing crops, namely, sugar-cane, Bengal-gram, wheat, garlic, coriander, chillies tobacco, avaré and tuvar are in fair condition, but in need of rain in the Maidan. In parts of the Tarikere Taluk the Bengal-gram crop has been destroyed by insects. Ragi, horse-gram, tobacco, chillies and avaré, were harvested in the Maidan, and coffee picked in the Malnad. Prospects of scason good. Public health good. Small-pox still prevalent in parts of the Banavar Taluk. Drinking water scarce in parts of the Maidan tracts. Prices: rice 14 to 20 seers, and ragi 20 to 29 seers per rupee.

Chitaldroog District.—Standing crops in good condition. Ragi, navané, samé, avaré, horse-gram, Bengal-gram, paddy, sugar-cane, wheat, javari, &c., were harvested. Prospects of season as also public health good. Cattle suffered from murrain in many parts of the District. Water-supply diminishing. The supply of fodder good in some parts; Scanty in others. Prices: rice 10 to 14 seers, ragi 28 to 44 seers and javari 28 to 46 seers per rupee.

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